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EXTERNALLY AIDED PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of externally aided projects being implemented in Bihar;

(b) whether overseas aided agencies are mainly supporting their projects for basically poverty alleviation programmes;

(c) whether the Government has any plan and strategy to persuade the World Bank/Asian Development Bank for multilateral aid for Bihar; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

Minister of State in Ministry of Finance (Shri S.S. Palanimanickam)

(a) Details are furnished in the enclosed statement.

(b) Yes Sir. Besides supporting poverty alleviation projects in social, health, agriculture, environment sectors, they also support projects in energy, infrastructure sector etc.

(c) and (d): Project proposals from the State Governments received with the approval of the concerned central nodal Ministries by the Department of Economic Affairs are posed to external agencies for financial assistance after ensuring plan priorities and necessary clearances. Once the project is posed to the World Bank/Asian Development Bank and other external agency, it goes through the cycle of pre-appraisal, preparation of project concept document, appraisal, negotiation and final approval. This process takes reasonable time depending on how well the project is prepared and overall commitments of the external agencies in terms of their resources. Government of India actively negotiates with World Bank/Asian Development Bank and other external agencies and encourages all States to access funds for implementation of externally aided projects.Statement referred to in reply to part

(a) of Lok Sabha Unstarred Question No.4636 dated 23.12.2005

Externally aided programme. Projects under implementation in Bihar.

1. Energy Serv. for Rural Industries, Angara, Bihar (US$0,600 million) signed on 13.10.1999 and being implemented with UNDP assistance.

2. Tuberculosis Control project (US$129.36 million): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 14.3.1997 and is implemented nation-wide.

3. Malaria Control Programme (US$128.30 million): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 30.7.1997 and is implemented in seven states including Bihar.

4. HIV/AIDs-II (US$191.00 million): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 14.9.1999 and is implemented nation-wide.

5. Food & Capacity Building Project (US$54.03 million): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 29.9.2003 and is implemented nation-wide.

6. Immunisation Strengthening Project (US$230.80 million): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 19.5.2000 and is implemented nation-wide.

7. Integrated Disease Surveillance Project (US$68.00 million): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 23.9.2004 and is implemented nation-wide.

8. Sarva Siksha Abhiyan (US$500.00 million): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 3.6.2004 and is implemented nation-wide.

9. Third District Primary Education Project, Bihar (US$152.00): World Bank assisted central sector project signed on 23.2.1998 and

is implemented in Bihar and Jharkhand. Status of Pipeline project proposals

10. Bihar Rural Livelihoods Project (US$70 million): The proposal received in August 2005, is in the Operations Programme of World Bank in Financial Year 2006.

11. Pradhan Manti Gram Sadak Yojana, Phase-II (US$500 million): This multi-state project was posed to World Bank on 8.11.2005. Identification Mission will visit in early 2006.

12. Dam Rehabilitation and Improvement Project (Rs.718.99 crores): This multi-state project was posed to World Bank on 7.5.2003. The project states have been requested to set up Project Preparation Units (PPUs).